

PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice of Informal Hearing on Petition for alternate well spacing submitted by Continental Resources, Inc., P. O. Box 749, Mt. Vernon, IL 62864.

The Indiana Division of Oil and Gas has received a petition from Continental Resources, Inc. requesting approval for an exception to the drilling unit requirements of 312 IAC 16-5-2 and the spacing requirements of 312 IAC 16-5-1 for drilling and production from sandstones above the McClosky formation proposed to be located in the following areas in Pike County, IN only:

T. 1N, R. 8W, Sections 7, 15-22, 27-34

T. 1N, R. 9W, All land units except those portions of Sections 1-14 that fall outside Pike County

T. 1S, R. 8W, Sections 3-10, 15-22

T. 1S, R. 9W, Sections 1-24

The petition seeks to approval to establish drilling units of five acres within those areas described above for all sandstone wells/reservoirs above the McClosky Limestone:

- A minimum of ten (10) contiguous acres must be under lease; and
- Wells must be spaced at least 330 feet from the outside boundary of the petition area; and
- Wells must be spaced at least 165 feet from uncontrolled property within the boundaries of the petition area, not including the outside boundary of the petition area; and
- Wells must be spaced at least 330 feet from another well completed in the same sandstone reservoir, creating a maximum density of one well per five (5) acres.

An informal hearing conducted according to 312 IAC 16-2-3 will be held on Thursday, September 1, 2011, beginning at 11:00 AM (Eastern Time) at the following location:

DNR, Division of Oil and Gas Conference Room
402 West Washington St., Rm. W293
Indianapolis, IN 46204-2748

The purpose of the informal hearing will be to receive comments and any other information relevant to the matter of sandstone well spacing in order to assist the Division of Oil and Gas in making a final decision on the petition. Persons with an interest in oil and gas or other property within the petition area are invited to attend and submit comments either orally or in writing.

Copies of the petition and a map showing the boundaries of the areas described above can be viewed and downloaded from the Division of Oil and Gas website at

<http://www.in.gov/dnr/dnroil>. Click on the "Check out our Upcoming Events" icon to view a table of upcoming informal hearings. A hyperlink to the petition can be viewed by selecting ([View Petition](#)). Copies are also available for review at the main office of the Division of Oil and Gas from 8:15 AM to 4:45 PM, Monday-Friday. The office is located at 402 West Washington Street, Room W293, Indianapolis, IN 46204, phone 317-232-1555.

Questions regarding this matter may be directed to Herschel McDivitt, Director of the Division of Oil and Gas, 317-232-4058, hmcdivitt@dnr.in.gov, or to Mona Nemecek, Technical Services Manager, Division of Oil and Gas, 317-232-0045, mnemecek@dnr.in.gov.

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